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The National Republican has a larger

legitimate daily circulation than all the

other morning papers of the District com-

bined.

BLAIR still blazes away!

SIXTY per cent. of the pupils in the public

schools of Washington are the children

of non-residents of the District.

Not one-half of the improved property of

the city of New York now pays for as much

as the taxes and mortgage interest amount

to.

MONTGOMERY BLAIR is the proper name

of the monomaniacal gentleman engaged to

blow TILDEN's trumpet in the lobby of

Congress.

REPRESENTATIVE FOUNDS, of Wisconsin,

is of Quaker extraction, and that is the

reason why he believes in letting Mr.

HAYES alone.

GIVE the public schools of the District

some attention, patriotic Congressmen.

They belong to, and are filled by the children

of the people of the United States at large.

"AN exchange says that Congressman

HAYES is not a bad man as ex-Confederates

think." And how do ex-Confederates go,

pray? Just now they go for "pay and

providence" principally.

The public schools of the nation's capital

are about to be closed for good.

There is a Democratic majority in the

House, where all appropriations must origi-

nate. Handcuff these two facts together and

draw your own conclusions.

The District of Columbia has contributed

nearly two and a half millions of dollars in

the past six years for the support of its

public-school system. Sixty per cent.

of this amount has been utilized for the benefit

of non-resident pupils, the children of

citizens of some or all of the States.

The Cincinnati Times calls special attention

to the significant fact that the Rhode

Island Republicans altogether ignored the

Administration in their platform and made

a gain on VAN ZANDT's last year vote of

3,000 in round numbers. Perhaps Senator

BREKID will heed the lesson this moral

teacher.

INFAMY! HAYES consulting with old

Wells about the distribution of Federal

patronage in Louisiana. Pittsburgh Post.

We suppose it would be in better taste if

the President would consult with LAMAR,

GORDON, A. H. STEPHENS, and such like

patriots of the war of 1861 and 1865 about

his appointments. It is hard to please

everybody.

The abolition of the pension agencies has

been much discussed by the press of the

country, with the aggregate opinion decid-

edly in the negative. And let them re-

main as they are. Everything works

smoothly, pensioners are paid promptly, and

in the interest of economy, they should not

be disturbed.

The man who gave circulation to the

statement that THURMAN held BEN HILL

by main strength to keep him from answer-

ing Senator HOWE did not know what he

was talking about. If his salary had been

doubled as a consideration, HILL would not

have put himself in range of Howe's gun,

for he knew it was loaded.

This lady Washington correspondent of the

Albany Evening Journal is not peculiarly

happy on account of the presentation re-

cently made to GRACE GREENWOOD by the

rest of her admiring friends of the pres-

ident in this city. She thinks it is not

never be allowed to control legislation,

and which is very evidently the trouble

here.

We don't believe there is a word of truth

in that cock-and-bull story of THE NATIONAL

REPUBLICAN about General HANCOCK going

to New Orleans to see Governor NICOLLA in

the interest of the President. The REPUBLICAN

CAX is no friend of the President or of General

HANCOCK either.—Richardson State.

Don't believe it, eh? Well, no one has

contradicted it yet, although it has been

printed the length and breadth of the land,

from New Orleans to the Canadian border.

Whether the REPUBLICAN is friendly either

to the President or General HANCOCK is

another question and has nothing to do

with the truth of this so-called "cock-and-

bull story."

The Oklaoma (Miss) Herald (Democratic)

says: "The southwestern counties in this

State are in a bad fix. The report of the

grand jury says that in some instances it is

impossible to get men to appear before the

jury as witnesses for fear of some personal

injury being done to them. In one instance

a witness, while on his way to appear before

the jury, was foully assassinated, and

others have been threatened. If such un-

precedented outlaws are practiced much

longer in those counties Kemper will have

to draw in her horns." This is outspoken

and to the point, and coming as it does

from a Democratic organ where the CHAS-

OLM murder was perpetrated, it is some-

what remarkable and unexpected. The

Jackson (Miss) Times could not do better

than this. When outlaws are punished in

Mississippi, and witnesses can testify to the

truth without jeopardizing their lives, then

we may believe in conciliation.

The Chicago Tribune is distressed by a

fancy that Mr. BLAINE "will go into the

next Republican convention backed by the

solid vote of his sister-in-law." "He may

be reinforced," it adds, "by a part of the

Maine delegation, even though his own

town, Augusta, has just gone Democratic for

the first time in ten years." The

Tribune's solicitude is amusing, considering

the fact that when it was the most promi-

nent angle of the famous journalistic

quadrilateral of 1872, it beseeched Mr.

BLAINE to join the Democracy in support

of GREELEY; and, further, that the feminine

attachment to the distinguished Senator's

political establishment has laid not a few

strong and masculine lashes upon the crin-

oline backs of those former-conspirators,

Augusta, it is true, did go Democratic at

the late election, but the explanation of this

deplorable result resides in local and purely

municipal considerations. Mr. BLAINE is

as strong, and national Republican prin-

ciples are as strong, in Augusta and the en-

tire State of Maine now as they were in

1872, when the Tribune attempted in vain to

seduce the entire State into the Democratic

ranks.

The story that Secretary SCHURZ brought

on his recent illness by too frequent tipping

of strong green tea is still going the rounds.

It should be stopped instantly, or some in-

tervening paragrapher will distort it into a

reflection upon the Administration for its

well-known temperance reform proclivities.

The idea of green tea as a substitute for the

customary beverage of our Teutonic fellow-

citizens could only have been suggested at

a Sunday evening concert, such as Mr.

SCHURZ is known to enliven with his skill-

ful piano playing, at our chaste Executive

Mansion. But he has always been known as

a Liberal—in politics and in society as well

as in religion—and when his mellow voice,

before it had been puckered, persimmon-

like, by the use of green tea, joined with

the swelling base notes of the irreverent Ben

JACKSON, on those occasions, there were

two souls without "any a thought of the

heretofore. Now, alas! the green tea com-

promise has indiscreetly worked a damaging

result. It seems that all of the Adminis-

tration reforms are damaging; and first

Mr. SCHURZ is stricken with green-tea sick-

ness. Let BEN JACKSON beware, or there'll

be the kind of a time in his gastronomic re-

gion described by the parrot after its play-

fully belittled interview with the monkey,

albeit BEN doesn't think there is any evi-

dence of spiritual elation in the future.

Green tea will convert him.

"THE patriotic ardor which carried the

old warrior through the House!" This is

allusion in this connection to had selling

for fear of disturbing the serenity of the

new Egyptian Boomerang of the House—

could have perpetrated such a pathetic

begging epistle as this, and the true spirit

of civil service reform, as illustrated for

instance in Mr. Secretary SCHURZ's career, is

breathed in its every line. The writer de-

sired to be paid for his patriotism, for his

service of "the Lord and you," and for trying to

do "mischief." As a partisan Mr. SCHURZ

would have been entitled to reward in the

event of GREELEY's success, and he would

not doubt have secured it at the hands of

some civil-service examining board, which

would have placed a premium upon his gram-

mar; in fact, he would have proven him-

self to be as competent as the average civil-

service reformer who is constantly seeking

to be set "at liberty."

UNFURL THE OLD FLAG.

It is apparent that the Republican party

in the North is everywhere awakening to

the necessity of unfurling the old flag, un-

der which it has won so many victories on

the Congressional and Presidential field, and

following it to fresh conquests. The major

principles of the party are unchanged.

Equal rights to all men before the law; the

guarantees of the Constitution, with all its

instruments inviolate; the cause of educa-

tion; aid and foster influences for the in-

dustries of the country; protection and ex-

pansion of American commerce on the

ocean; the purity of the elective franchise,

are all the same to-day as in the last de-

cade, and have the same claims upon Re-

publican loyalty and devotion now as then.

The men of the Republican party may have

changed, but its principles are as unchang-

ing as the natural laws of creation, until by

a mutation of circumstances they may be-

come temporarily effete. This may ensue,

but Republican principles are immutable.

They are as steadfast as the foundations of

the Government to which they relate.

We think the time has come to put the

Republican army under drill, preparatory

to the fall campaign. When the roll is beat

let every man fall into line. Let those who

love the cause manifest their devotion, each

for himself. If there be those who hesitate

make room for them in the line. If the

President is a true Republican he will be

found among the Republican forces. No

word should be uttered to entreat him to

doubt or to repel him therefrom. The laws

of political gravitation will control his ac-

tion and that of his Cabinet and his army

of officials throughout the country. When

this force begins to move, if they belong

to the party, they will take up step to the

Republican music and move on in harmony.

If they belong elsewhere they will soon

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the only member from Missouri, opposing

the nomination of General HANCOCK, as

called upon to explain his vote; if the

Democratic party could not do justice to

the ex-Confederate elements of the House

without being shaken to pieces, then it had

better be an independent minority.

Thus the issue is stated plainly, the De-

mocratic party is called upon to do honor to

the Confederate element, and if those who

desire so to do are beaten, then the sooner

they form an independent party the better.

Mr. FRANKLIN has the merit of having